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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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EPC TO ACT ON AIR MONITORING STANDARDS AT AUG. 19 MEETING

DES MOINES — The Environmental Protection Commission will be asked to authorize the DNR's Ambient Air Sampling Manual that would set standards for ambient air monitoring around confined animal feeding operations at its Aug. 19 meeting.

The meeting will start at 10 a.m. at the DNR office, 7900 Hickman Road in Urbandale. Public participation is scheduled for 10:30 a.m. The meeting is open to the public.

Commissioners will be provided with a draft update on the Section 303(d) list of Iowa's impaired waters. These are waters that cannot meet state water quality standards by placing limits on point sources of pollution, those sources that can be pinpointed such as a factory or a wastewater treatment plant. States are generally required to submit the list every two years under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act.

In other action, the DNR will ask commissioners to approve the intended use plan for the drinking water state revolving fund and a method for county supervisors to indicate that they want to evaluate the siting of confinement feeding operations.

A complete agenda for the meeting is as follows:

- Approve Agenda
- Approve Minutes of July 22, 2002
- Director's Remarks
- Update - Iowan's Solid Waste Management Opinion and Behavior Study Report – Guest Speaker: Mary Losch, Associate Professor, University of Iowa, Department of Psychology
- Contract - The Energy Group - Marketing the Iowa Energy Bank Program for Schools
- Contract - MSB Associates, Inc - Iowa Interconnection Standards Development

- Contract - Solid Waste Alternatives Program - Recommendations
- Notice of Intended Action – Chapter 103, "Sanitary Landfills" (Rescission) Chapter 103, "Sanitary Landfills: Coal Combustion Residue"; Chapter 112, "Sanitary Landfills: Biosolids Monofills"; Chapter 113, "Sanitary Landfills: Municipal Solid Waste"; Chapter 114, "Sanitary Landfills: Construction & Demolition Wastes"; and Chapter 115, "Sanitary Landfills: Industrial Monofills" (New) Chapter 102, Permits; and Chapter 110, Design, Construction and Operation Standards for Solid Waste Management Facilities (Revision)
- Update - 2002 Section 303(d) Lists
- Contract - University Hygienic Laboratory - 2002 Cooperative Groundwater Network
- Intended Use Plan - Drinking Water State Revolving Fund - FY 2002/2003
- Contract - University of Iowa - 2003 Laboratory Certification
- Notice of Intended Action - Chapter 65 - Animal Feeding Operations (County construction evaluations resolutions)
- Notice of Intended Action - Chapter 28 - Ambient Air Quality Standards (Amendment)
- Update - Contracts under \$25,000 with Ames Environmental, Inc. and Iowa Prison Industries
- Final Rule - Chapter 133 - Rules for Determining Cleanup Actions and Responsible Parties (Procedures and criteria for determining, valuing, and recovering compensation for damages to natural resources.)
- Referrals to the Attorney General
- Monthly Reports
- General Discussion
- Items for the Next Meeting

The members of the commission are Kathryn Murphy, Chair, LeMars; Terrance Townsend, Newton; James Braun, Latimer; Lisa Davis-Cook, West Des Moines; Rita Venner, Breda; Gary C. Priebe, Algona; Darrell Hanson, Manchester; J. Kelly Tobin, New Market and Lori Glanzman, Mt. Pleasant. The director of the DNR is Jeff Vonk.

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DNR ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS

DES MOINES — The DNR has taken the following enforcement actions. Responsible parties have 30 days to appeal the charges or 60 days to pay the penalty.

- City of Shenandoah was ordered to certify the current design flows of its wastewater treatment plant so a revised wastewater load allocation can be determined; submit a preliminary engineering report including schedule of compliance and to operate and maintain its facilities to achieve compliance with interim effluent limitations.
- Midway Oil Co. and David A Requet, individually, of Davenport, was ordered to pay an additional \$6,340 penalty for failure to comply with the terms of previous order relating to soil and groundwater assessments pertaining to underground storage tanks.

- Futura Dairy LLP of Central City was ordered to pay a \$5,000 penalty, comply with manure applicator certification and manure management plan requirements, properly monitor groundwater levels reporting to the DNR quarterly and to properly maintain its earthen manure lagoon.
- Jason Strike of Spring Grove, Minn., was ordered to pay a \$1,200 penalty and comply with manure applicator requirements.
- Poweshiek Water Association in Brooklyn was ordered to pay a \$10,000 penalty and \$323 fish restitution relating to the fish kill investigated by DNR on an unnamed tributary of Prairie Creek on June 11th. The water association was also ordered to properly neutralize disinfection materials prior to water being discharged from its facility.
- Bogs Bar of Langworthy was ordered to pay a \$400 penalty and comply with sampling and reporting requirements relating to public drinking water supplies.
- Breezy Acres, Inc., of Forest City, was ordered to pay a \$3,000 penalty and to comply with minimum manure control requirements.
- Kenneth Dohlhauser of Whittemore was ordered to pay a \$2,500 penalty and comply with all minimum manure control requirements and commercial manure applicator obligations.
- Wellman Dynamics of Creston was ordered to pay a \$2,500 penalty and comply with all requirements relating to air quality construction and operating permits.
- Kevin Wallerich of Keota was ordered to pay a \$500 penalty; to remove all remaining solid waste and recyclable materials submitting receipts of proper disposal to the DNR, putting any vehicles not being salvaged into a building and, if any waste remains on the property, to obtain a stormwater permit and prepare and submit a pollution prevention plan.
- Park View Motel in Oelwein was ordered to submit a complete application for renewal of its operating permit, comply with sampling and reporting requirements relating to a public water supply and pay a penalty of \$750 or to complete a hookup to the city's water supply system and discontinue use of private wells.
- Timothy Eischeid of Halbur was ordered to pay a \$2,000 penalty and cease improper disposal of dead farm animals on property near Arcadia or any other site in Iowa.
- Murrays Transfer and Storage of Davenport was ordered to pay a \$2,480 penalty and to complete permanent closure of two underground storage tanks including required documentation.
- Waukon Golf and Country Club of Waukon was ordered pay a \$2,480 penalty and to complete permanent closure of an underground storage tank and complete the required documentation.
- Frank Siemans of Renwick was ordered to pay a \$3,000 penalty and to remove and properly land apply all manure in an earthen storage basin.
- City of Nevada was ordered to pay a \$9,000 penalty, to properly maintain and operate its wastewater facilities including the enforcement of industrial loading, sludge storage and management and complying with effluent limitations.

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